

**AUSTRALIAN SWIMMING COACHES AND TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (ascta)
COACH NOMINATION CRITERIA**

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| Competition | 2008 Paralympic Games – Beijing, China, 6 – 17 September 2008 |
| Nomination Event | 2008 Telstra Trials – Sydney, 22-29 March 2008 |
| Eligibility | To be considered for nomination, a coach must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) be an Australian citizen or hold ‘permanent resident’ status in Australia and satisfy ‘b’ b) no more than one (1) coach holding permanent resident status will be considered for nomination on the 2008 Australian Paralympic Swimming Team, and; c) be an accredited swimming coach under the National Coaching Accreditation Scheme of the Australian Sports Commission and hold a current coaching licence as a member of ascta, and; d) be available to fulfil the Team commitments as listed below. |
| Team Commitments | All Team coaches must commit to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Comply with the SAL Team By-Laws and Team Directions, Anti-Doping Policy and Member Welfare Policy, and; b) Conform to SAL policy regarding Team preparation, and; c) Make themselves available for all Team activities designated by the SAL High Performance Committee including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paralympic Swim Team Orientation Camp and Grand Prix #1: 20 – 27 April 2008 • Paralympic Swim Team Camp and Grand Prix #2: 2 – 6 July 2008 • Paralympic Swim Team Staging Camp and Beijing Paralympic Games: 23 August – 17 September 2008 • Any other camps and tours as designated by the National Head Coach d) Team coaches with insufficient international competition experience, as deemed by the National Paralympic Coach, will be required to attend the Paralympic World Cup, in Manchester from 4 – 12 May 2008. |
| Nomination Requirements | To be considered for nomination, a coach must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) be the ‘primary coach’ of a swimmer nominated onto the Team in an individual Paralympic event, and; b) be among the highest ranked coaches based upon their athlete(s) performances at the Nomination Event, based on the following requirements, until all Team Coaching Positions are filled. <p>Priority 1: Ranked number 1 in the world and ranked by DIPS.</p> <p>Priority 2: Ranked number 2 in the world and ranked by DIPS.</p> <p>Priority 3: Ranked number 3 in the world and ranked by DIPS.</p> <p>Priority 4: Swimmers ranked numbers 4,5,6,7 and 8 in the world will be grouped together and ranked by DIPS.</p> <p>Priority 5: Swimmers Ranked 9+ in the world will be grouped together and ranked by DIPS.</p> |
| Team Size (coaches) | The Australian Paralympic Committee will notify ascta and SAL as to the number of coaches to be nominated. |
| Ranking of | A ‘Coach Nomination Committee’ will be convened during the Nomination Event to |

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| Coaches | <p>consider eligible Team coaches on the basis of these criteria:</p> <p>a) Coaches will be ranked based on their athletes IPC Swimming World Ranking and separated by DIPS (Disability International Point Score).</p> <p>b) In an event where 2 or more swimmers tie for the third position, then a swim off will be conducted in that event at a time to be determined by the Meet Director.</p> <p>c) In the case of a tie for the final male or final female team position the ranking and DIPS of the swimmers' next best event will be used to separate and determine the final position.</p> <p>d) Performances will be ranked using three per nation rankings (excluding Australians) based on the 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2007 IPC Swimming World Rankings.</p> |
| Notes | <p>Primary Coach – means the person responsible for planning and supervision of 85% of a swimmer's training. The swimmer must have trained under the primary coach for a minimum period of 90 days leading into the Telstra Trials competition.</p> <p>Permanent Resident – means a person holding a permanent resident visa under the laws of the Commonwealth of Australia.</p> <p>Performance Ranking (swimmer) – world ranking of performances at the Nomination Event will be based upon the 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2007 IPC Swimming World Rankings, 3-swimmers per nation. DIPS Pointscore (as provided by the Australian selectors) will be used to separate world rankings, if required. Swimmers nominated on the Team must meet all swimmer nomination criteria.</p> <p>Coach Nomination Committee – A Nomination Committee made up of at least three non-applicant members of the ascta Board, plus the National Paralympic Coach will review the Nomination criteria. If three non-applicant Board members are not available, the ascta Chief Executive Officer may co-opt qualified coach members of ascta to serve on the Nomination Committee. The recommendation of the Nomination Committee will go to the full Board of ascta for acceptance and then (via the National Paralympic Coach) to the Board of Swimming Australia Ltd. for approval.</p> <p>In keeping with the aim of the Australian Swim Team – to be the Number 1 Swimming Team in the World – if, after the application of all nomination criteria, the final coaching position can not be decided upon; the National Paralympic Coach will have the full support of the Nomination Committee and the ascta Board to make a recommendation to the SAL Board for their approval.</p> |
| Date of Approval | 13 March 2008 |